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Celebrations - September 2011



Towanda Overton, a member of Church of the Savior UCC, Knoxville, a graduate of Memphis theological Seminary and Leslie Etheredge's partner, was approved to be a member in discernment in the Alabama-Tennessee Association.

Ben Konecny, student in care at First United Church of Christ, Nashville, and a recent graduate of Vanderbilt Divinity School, has been approved to appear before an ecclesiastical council, with a recommendation for the Committee on ministry that he be approved for ordination pending a call.

Scott Williamson, a member of Holy Trinity Community Church UCC, Nashville, has recently started at Vanderbilt Divinity School, and was approved as a member in discernment by the Alabama-Tennessee Committee on Ministry.

Congratulations to the **six SEC churches** who enrolled in the Center for Progressive Renewal's 5 week online class: **"Designing a Stewardship Plan for you Church."** [Link here to read more](#) about online stewardship training.

Trinity Congregational Church UCC, Athens, AL celebrated 140 years of existence at their annual Founders' Day Celebration, Sunday, September 4th, commemorating and celebrating the missionaries of the American Missionary Society who gave themselves so unselfishly.. The celebration began at the morning worship service at 11:00 a.m. featuring the church pastor, Rev. Gary Luther Myers, and ended with an afternoon service at 2:00 p.m. featuring Rev. Dr. Wayne P. Snodgrass of Progressive Union Missionary Baptist Church, Huntsville, AL. There was also a Fellowship Picnic on the grounds of the church on Saturday, September 3rd at 11:00 am with a portion of the proceeds going to the United Way.

Reverend Angela H. Wright, pastor of Beloved Community Church, Birmingham, AL, returned to Greater Birmingham Ministries (GBM) in early May as Faith in Community Coordinator. Faith in Community is a ministry of theological reflection coupled with active personal engagement in the struggle for a just community. GBM's vision is a faith-based commitment to living out God's purpose for peace and justice. Angie first worked at GBM as the first Economic Justice Organizer from 1983 to 1989. As FIC Coordinator, her hope is that she "can work closely with the board, help it function well, and really engage congregations in the work we do together."

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